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Application No. 10/780,560
Docket No. 044159-1000Amendments to the Claims:

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1. (Currently Amended) A stabilizer support system for a railroad system having rails, said stabilizer support system comprising:

a support structure [[;]] adapted to support objects above the rails, said support structure having one or more extendable support legs that extend in a downward direction toward the ground, said extendable support legs extending from within said support structure; and

a elongate load beam extending transversely across the rails, wherein said load beam is adapted to receive said one or more is separate from said support structure, and releasably receives said extendable support legs of said support structure to support said extendable support legs elevated off of the ground;

wherein said elongate load beam supports said extendable support legs to allow movement in the direction of the rails of the railroad system.

2. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, further comprising at least one fit sleeve, wherein said at least one fit sleeve is connected to said load beam and is adapted to receive said one or more extendable support legs.

3. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein said stabilizer support system is attached to a vehicle.

4. (Original) The system of claim 3, wherein said vehicle is selected from the group consisting of a railcar and a truck.

5. (Original) The system of claim 2, wherein said at least one fit sleeve further comprises a locking mechanism, wherein said locking mechanism is connected to a top face of said at least one fit sleeve.

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6. (Original) The system of claim 5, wherein said locking mechanism comprises a pin and aperture.

7. (Original) The system of claim 1, further comprising a lift mechanism.

8. (Original) The system of claim 7, wherein said lift mechanism further comprises a channel tool and a coordinating channel.

9. (Original) The system of claim 3, where said stabilizer support system is adapted to be detachable from said vehicle.

10. (Original) The system of claim 1, further comprising one or more wheels attached to said load beam.

11. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein said support structure comprises an A-frame.

12. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein said support structure is attached to the rear of a railcar.

13. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein said support structure is attached to the rear of a truck.

14. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 2, wherein each of said extendable support legs ~~are adapted to have~~ has an upper and lower end.

15. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 14, wherein said lower end of said extendable support legs further comprises a flange ~~on said lower end~~.

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16. (Original) The system of claim 15, wherein said flange is adapted to slidably connect with said one or more fit sleeves.

17. (Original) The system of claim 10, further comprising a second set of wheels attached to said load beam.

18. (Original) The system of claim 10, wherein said wheels comprise rail wheels.

19. (Original) The system of claim 10, wherein said wheels comprise tire wheels.

20. (Canceled)

21. (Original) The system of claim 17, wherein said second set of wheels comprise rubber tires.

22. (Original) The system of claim 17, wherein said second set of wheels has a greater diameter than said one or more wheels.

23. (Original) The system of claim 1, further comprising a hydraulic system, wherein said hydraulic system is adapted to compensate for non-uniform surfaces.

24. (Currently Amended) A method for stabilizing a support system for a railroad system having rails, said method comprising the steps of:

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providing an apparatus that extends transversely across the rails for receiving one or more extendable support legs, said apparatus having at least one or more fit sleeve sleeves;

providing one or more extendable support legs that are separate from said apparatus; [[and]]

extending said one or more extendable support legs downwardly toward a ground; and

to rest upon removably resting said extended support legs on said fit sleeves of said apparatus to support said extendable support legs elevated off of the ground;

wherein said apparatus supports said extendable support legs to allow movement in the direction of the rails of the railroad system.

25. (Currently Amended) A method for stabilizing a support system for a railroad system having rails, said method comprising the steps of:

providing a load beam having one or more fit sleeves, said load beam extending across and outwardly beyond the rails;

rotating said load beam upward;

providing one or more extendable support legs;

sliding said one or more fit sleeves under said one or more extendable support legs; and

removably connecting said one or more fit sleeves to said one or more extendable support legs to support said extendable support legs elevated off of the ground.

26. (Original) The method of claim 25, further comprising locking said one or more fit sleeves by providing a locking mechanism comprising one or more of the group consisting of a pin and an aperture.

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27. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein said rotating step further comprises lifting said one or more fit sleeves in an upward direction.

28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein said connecting step further comprises extending said one or more extendable support legs to rest above said one or more fit sleeves.

29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein said sliding step further comprises sliding a flange of said one or more extendable support legs in a channel in said one or more fit sleeves.

30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 26, wherein said locking step further comprises placing a pin through apertures in said fit sleeves and said extendable support legs.

31. (Original) The method of claim 26, wherein said locking step further comprises sliding a channel tool through said channel in said one or more fit sleeves.

32. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein said load beam is adapted to be attached to one or more wheels.

33. (Original) The method of claim 25, further comprising providing a set of wheels adapted to roll along rails.

34. (Original) The method of claim 25, further comprising providing a set of wheels adapted to roll along a ground surface.

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35. (Currently Amended) A method for distributing weight in a support system for a railroad system having rails, said method comprising the steps of:

providing a load beam that extends transversely across and outwardly beyond the rails, for receiving one or more extendable support legs, said load beam having at least one fit sleeve wheels that contact a ground or the rails;

providing one or more extendable support legs that are separate from said load beam; and

extending said one or more extendable support legs downwardly toward the ground to removably rest upon said load beam so that said extended support legs are supported elevated off of the ground.

36. (Currently Amended) A railway stabilizer support system for a railroad system having rails, said railway stabilizer support system comprising:

one or more extendible support legs that extend downwardly toward a ground;

a support structure from which said one or more extendable support legs extend, said support structure being adapted to support objects above the rails;

a load beam extending across and outwardly beyond the rails, said load beam including one or more fit sleeves that are attached to a load beam, wherein said load beam is adapted to that receive said extendable support legs to support said extendible support legs elevated off of the ground; and

a locking mechanism connected to said one or more fit sleeves adapted to lock that releasably locks said extendable support legs in said fit sleeves.

37. (Original) The system of claim 36, wherein said support structure is attached to a vehicle.

38. (Original) The system of claim 37, wherein said vehicle is selected from one or more of the group consisting of a railcar, and a truck.

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39. (Original) The system of claim 36, wherein said one or more fit sleeves further comprise a bar channel on an outer edge of said one or more fit sleeves.

40. (Original) The system of claim 36, wherein said locking mechanism further comprises a pin and an aperture that extend through said one or more fit sleeves.

41. (Original) The system of claim 39, further comprising a lifting mechanism comprising a bar tool that is adapted to slide through said bar channel.

42. (Original) The system of claim 37, wherein said load beam is adapted to be detachable from said vehicle.

43. (Original) The system of claim 36, wherein said load beam is supported by one or more wheels that are adapted to roll on a flat surface.

44. (Original) The system of claim 36, wherein said support structure comprises an A-frame.

45. (Original) The system of claim 36, wherein said support structure is attached to the rear of a railcar.

46. (Original) The system of claim 36, wherein said support structure is attached to the rear of a truck.

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47. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 36, wherein each of said one or more extendable support legs ~~are adapted to have~~ has an upper and lower end.

48. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 47, wherein said lower end of said one or more extendable support legs ~~is adapted to have~~ has a flange ~~on said lower end~~.

49. (Original) The system of claim 48, wherein said flange is adapted to slidably connect with said one or more fit sleeves.

50. (Original) The system of claim 43, further comprising a set of wheels attached to said load beam.

51. (Original) The system of claim 50, wherein said set of wheels further comprise rubber tires.

52. (Original) The system of claim 50, wherein said set of wheels has a greater diameter than said one or more wheels.

53. (Currently Amended) A stabilizer support system for a railroad system having rails, said stabilizer support system comprising:

a support structure adapted to support objects above the rails;

one or more extendable support legs that extend downwardly from said support structure toward a ground; and ; ~~wherein said extendable support legs are adapted to have~~

wheels that contact the ground or the rail to support said extendable support legs elevated off of the ground and outward of the rails, to allow said support structure to be moved in a direction of the rail while being supported.

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54. (Original) The system of claim 53, wherein said support structure is attached to a vehicle.

55. (Original) The system of claim 54, wherein said vehicle is selected from the group consisting of a railcar, and a truck.

56. (Original) The system of claim 53, where said wheels are adapted to be detachable from said vehicle.

57. (Original) The system of claim 53, wherein said support structure comprises an A-frame.

58. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 53, wherein each of said extendable support legs ~~are adapted to have~~ has an upper and lower end.

59. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 58, wherein said lower end of said extendable support legs further comprises a flange ~~on said lower end~~.

60. (Original) The system of claim 59 wherein said flange is adapted to slidably connect with said wheels.

61. (Original) The system of claim 53 wherein said wheels comprise rail wheels.

62. (Original) The system of claim 53, wherein said wheels comprise tire wheels.

63. (Canceled)

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64. (Original) The system of claim 53, further comprising a hydraulic system, wherein said hydraulic system is adapted to compensate for non-uniform surfaces.

65. (Original) An apparatus for conveyance further comprising the system of claim 1, 36, or 53.

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